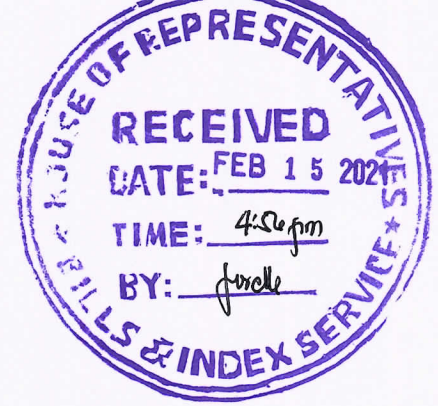




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Introduced by
REPRESENTATIVE LOREN B. LEGARDA

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Explanatory Note

This bill seeks to convert the Bitas Elementary School in Barangay Bitas, Municipality of Patnongon in the Province of Antique to be known as the Bitas Integrated School.

With the conversion of the Bitas Elementary School into an integrated school, the school children of Barangay Bitas and its neighboring barangays will have access not only to primary education but also to quality secondary education without going too far from their community.

Providing access to quality education is one of the best investments we can make to lessen illiteracy and alleviate poverty.

In view of the foregoing, the immediately passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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Be it enacted in the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

1 **SECTION 1.** The Bitas Elementary School in Barangay Bitas, Municipality of
2 Patnongon, Province of Antique is hereby converted into an integrated school to be
3 known as the Bitas Integrated School.

4 **SEC. 2.** All personnel, assets, liabilities, and records of the Bitas Elementary School
5 are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Bitas Integrated School.

6 **SEC. 3.** The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's
7 program the operationalization of the Bitas Integrated School, funding of which shall
8 be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

9 **SEC. 4.** The Secretary of Education shall formulate the rules and regulations
10 implementing the provisions of this Act within one hundred twenty (120) days after its
11 effectivity.

12 **SEC. 5.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*
13 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

14 Approved,